

ROAD COMMITTEE CUTS EXPENSE AND CLOSES CITY QUARRY

Saves Twelve Thousand For Needed Work To Be Done After June

LAND OPENING BILL GOES TO THE MAYOR

Arnold Fights Scheme To Make New City Ambulance Self-Sustaining

The road committee of the board of supervisors has made a stand in the matter of expenditures for the next month, ending June 30, and has retrenched. After April 1 there will be but \$6000 a month spent on the roads of the Honolulu district, instead of \$10,000 as contemplated in the general appropriation bill, and the much-talked-about city quarry will be closed on the last day of the present month, throwing thirty-three men out of employment.

This was the result of a partial report made by the road committee and adopted by the entire board at a meeting last night.

The cut will mean a saving of \$12,000, which will be used in the second half of the present year. Owing to the closing down of the quarry, and the little work which will be done for the balance of the half-year on roads, there will be little rock used and this will be purchased until June from the firms of the city who have bid to supply the city at an average price of one dollar and twenty cents a cubic yard for the three grades of rock used.

Supervisor Larsen introduced an ordinance covering the laying of sewers, which was read by title and passed first meeting. The ordinance providing for the platting of all land in future to be used for building sites was passed at third reading and an ordinance by the mayor will become law. It provides heavy penalties in both fine and imprisonment for non-observance of its provisions.

The amended report of the city engineer on the general specifications of the paving of Lusitania street was adopted and the appropriation for the Hakipuu road improvement was cut from \$4000 a month to \$2600 a month.

Fourteen hundred dollars was appropriated for the continuation of the work on the Pali road and retaining wall. This money was appropriated from the permanent improvement fund.

Acceptance of the new emergency hospital ambulance was requested by Dr. Ayer, but the mayor did not think that it should be taken over until a certain amount had been paid for it was removed. The doctor took the numbers of the police committee for a child to show that a fine machine it was not they noticed a squeak when the gears were changed. This will be remedied. The up-keep of the machine brought on some argument and Logan proposed that private persons using the ambulance pay for it at a certain rate to be decided on. This was fought by Arnold, who said that the ambulance should not be made self-sustaining. He was the only member of the board who thought so and the matter was referred to the health committee to investigate and report on.

Tree Planting Destroys Walks

A petition from twenty-six property owners to be permitted to plant trees along the edge of the sidewalks in Iolani Avenue, Anahulu, was referred to the committee on parks. This brought up a discussion as to the advisability of tree-planting where the possibility was that in a few years the trees would destroy the sidewalks and then the city would be liable for damages to persons and for the repairs to the sidewalks. From the destruction of sidewalks to the laying of the same was a short step and it was brought to the attention of the board by Supervisor Horner that certain oriental contractors are laying concrete walks and paying no attention to the specifications laid down by the board for the work.

The work is being done for the price of a yard, which is an impossible price if the specifications are followed up to, and the city engineer was given authority to look into the matter of an inspector for the work.

An additional appropriation was made for the parking of Kalakaua avenue, as the appropriation made was expended and \$495 more was necessary to meet the bills incurred up to the present time.

House Numbers Are Elusive

Supervisor Horner suggested that a scheme for the proper numbering of the houses of the town be devised. It turned out that it was the duty of the city clerk to attend to this but as there was no appropriation it had not been done. Supervisor Logan related the custom of the orientals here who when they get a number for their house, consider that it is their number and when they move to a new location they take the number along and affix it to the new place. This, Logan said, sometimes led to confusion, and the city directory man was at times in doubt as to what to do.

CABLE OPERATOR SEEKS AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP

A petition for naturalization was filed by John Fothergill, a cable operator residing at 1048 Young street, in the office of Clerk Foster E. Davis of the federal court yesterday. Fothergill was born in Liverpool, England, on November 16, 1868. The petition will be taken up for a hearing by Judge Clemens on May 27, 1916, the witnesses being Alfred Edward Tinker and John Herbert Swift.

More Old Japan Will Be Put Into Bronze Fountain

Pedestal of Kapiolani Park Adornment To Bear Ancient Phrases and Flowers

More of old Japan will be put into the bronze fountain which the Japanese Coronation association will present to the city of Honolulu.

The pedestal, which will be of granite, will bear on one side the royal chrysanthemum flower; on the right of this the cherry blossom, upon no sakura, and on the left the citron, sakon no tachibana. The significance of the phrases and the flowers is that the old-time values, borne by the chrysanthemum above the entrance and the flowers, typifying two ministers, on either side. On the fourth side, the opposite to the chrysanthemum, will be inscribed the purpose of the gift, which is to commemorate the coronation.

These changes were recommended by the Art School of Tokyo, which designed the fountain and under the supervision of which it is being built, according to Consul-General Arima, chairman of the association, sent a cablegram yesterday morning approving them.

The basin also will be twelve feet wider than first planned. Weight of the whole will be ninety tons. It will be ready for shipment in four months and will be erected in Kapiolani park. The fountain proper will be a phoenix, which the layman probably will mistake for a stork or crane.

DELEGATION OF SIX MAY GO TO CHICAGO

Delegate Kuhio and Robert W. Breckons Likely To Be Two Republicans Chosen

Prince Kuhio and Robert W. Breckons are the only avowed and open candidates for election to the Republican National Convention and if the territorial convention to meet here in April decides to send but two delegates these men in all probability will be the ones selected as far as Oahu is concerned. There may be a different story to tell, though, when the other islands are heard from, think the wise ones in the political game.

Charles A. Rice of Kauai, Republican national committeeman, who made the primary run for the delegateship in the last campaign, is likely to want to go to the Chicago gathering, and there are several other dark horses grooming themselves for the reception of the lightning at the G. O. P. convention.

There is some doubt in the minds of a few of the leading Republicans as to the number of delegates and alterations to be sent to Chicago. In the last mix-up in which the Republicans split on the national ticket, Hawaii was relegated to the discard by having four of her six delegates cut out. Friends of the Territory have advised the party here to send six and that a fight will be made on the floor of the convention to seat them. Some here think that Hawaii should be satisfied with the two allotted by the national committee and the matter will be settled in the convention.

The call has gone out for the primary to select delegates to the territorial convention to be held here on April 3, and on March 17 the republican precinct clubs will meet to select candidates for election to the convention. There will be a vote on at the primary election to be held on Saturday March 25, between the hours of one and six p. m.

The convention will consist of 150 members as follows: From Hawaii 35; Maui 30; Kauai 13; and Oahu 93.

MAN'S SKULL FRACTURED AND HE MAY NOT RECOVER

M. J. Souza is lying in the Queen's Hospital with a fracture at the base of the skull, near the nose. He may not recover. Souza was injured Tuesday morning, on the Kalakaua road near Alca, when an automobile driven by H. Rothberg, ran into the bicycle he was riding, knocking him down, and plunging through a fence landed into a ditch thirty feet below.

Rothberg has partly recovered from his injuries. He is charged with headless driving and his trial is set for February 24. Rothberg had not obtained a chauffeur's certificate. He has been released on bond. Maxie Crystal, who was riding with Rothberg is still at the Queen's Hospital and is almost well. She suffered cuts and bruises.

LETTER BOXES TO GET A FRESH COAT OF PAINT

Postmaster Young has got the Carnival spirit and is expediting authority to paint the eighty-five letter boxes in different parts of the city. Many of the receptacles have not had a coat of paint for about two years and are looking rather sooty. The general air of decoration has gotten hold of the postmaster and he is going to do his share towards the beautifying of the city. He believes that neatness is not a bar to efficiency. Twenty-four new letter boxes and six combination lock and package boxes will be placed as soon as the equipment for them is received. They will be placed in locations under the direction of Frank T. Sullivan, superintendent of mails.

BATTELLE STOCK SOLD AT AUCTION

Frenzied Financiers Hungry Gobbled Up Paper 'Knocked Down' At Fancy Offers

There was a rummage sale of 80,000 shares of the assessable stock of the Battelle Sugar Refining Company at the auction rooms of J. F. Morgan & Co., yesterday morning, at which there was considerable spirited bidding. The amount delinquent on the shares was \$10,825 and the entire proceeds of the sale netted twenty-one dollars and forty cents.

Two buyers interested in the concern purchased 20,000 shares. They were C. Mel, who got 17,500, and A. S. Heyward, who was the buyer of 12,500, while other lots of several thousand were sold to James T. Taylor for sixty cents, D. L. Conkling for one dollar and ten cents, F. C. Bailey for fifteen cents, A. B. and E. B. Clarke formed a pool and got several thousand shares for thirty-five cents, while Harry K. Gregson, the well known engineer from Kaneohe, bought four dollars and twenty-five cents worth.

The reports on the prices existing at one time on Olan were too much to be withstood by those present at the sale and starting at five cents for the lot the bidding was often spirited and nerve wracking as it mounted up in several instances to forty-five or fifty cents.

Auctioneer Schwartzberg did his best in his most persuasive manner at the start to get a quarter a share for the stock, but finally became quite excited if we got the bids up to fifty cents for the lot.

What will happen if there is another assessment levied on the stock is something that seemingly did not occur to the purchasers, but they were informed that they were not liable for assessments made before the purchase yesterday and are ardently hoping that the sugar trust or some person interested in the patent rights which are the entire assets of the company will offer millions for them.

PROPERTY OWNERS TURN TO CONCRETE

Indications Now Are That Kalakaua Avenue Paving Scheme Will Be Successful

The proposition to pave Kalakaua avenue, which has taken so much of the time of the board of supervisors, the city engineer and the property owners in the district, is liable to be settled in a few days if reports of the change in the plans of the property owners are true. Since the talk of Superintendent of Public Works Forbes at the meeting of the supervisors last week, in which he expressed his opinion that the only road fit to be put down in Kalakaua avenue is a concrete base.

There has been a good deal of interest shown by the property holders, who have come to the conclusion that if they can have ten years in which to pay for the work in ten installments, they will have the best they can get and are willing to pay as high as five cents a lineal foot of frontage.

This conclusion was reached after looking at the way in which the work has been done on the road has been done by the hydrostatic distortion under the new roadway. It took only a few days to make the new-laid road lumpy and it is beginning to dawn upon the interested persons that there is something in the statements that the engineers have been making about drainage.

City Engineer Collins has about completed his report on the conditions to be encountered in the sub-base and a diagram map showing these is nearly ready for inspection.

The boosters for concrete base roads, Supervisors Larsen and Horner, are jubilant over the news that there has been a change in the minds of the property owners and the other supervisors are willing to give the owners what they want as long as the municipality is treated fairly, so there is anticipated but little more opposition to the early settlement of the big project for improvement.

FIRE IN PANAMA MARU; YUBARI MARU IS ASHORE

TOKIO, February 18.—With fire in her hold, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha steamer Panama Maru has arrived at Yokohama. The cause is unknown.

The Mitsui steamer Yubari Maru is ashore off Osumi, Japan. All members of the crew were saved.

The Panama Maru sailed from San Francisco January 23 with 9000 tons of general cargo, which included large quantities of iron, steel, tankard and cotton. She was here January 23 for San Francisco. This is the second Japanese steamer having had recently the T.K.K. steamer Shinyo Maru No. 2, chartered from the Kishimoto Kisen Kaisha, having been the other, last night the Panama was due at Yokohama February 12 and should have arrived at Kobe now.

The Yubari Maru has been here with coal from Muroran for the Inter-Island.

SEAMEN'S ACT AND RULES OF FOREIGN NATIONS COMPARED

Department of Commerce Press Service Deals With Much Discussed Law

Press service of the department of commerce, bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, contains the following, which, to say the least, is semi-official: "A bulletin issued by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce of the department of commerce, makes it possible to find out just how the much discussed Seamen's Act compares with similar laws in other maritime countries. No attempt at controversy is made in the bureau's report, and no conclusions are drawn. The principal provisions of the different maritime laws are set forth in such a manner that the reader may make his own comparisons and form his own opinions. Special Agent Grosvenor M. Jones, the author of the report, confined his attention to Great Britain, France, Germany, Norway, Japan and the United States, as to boiler inspection.

"Considerable attention is given to strictness and detail of vessel inspection in the selected countries. The testing of boilers, of particular interest because the American test has been called unduly severe. A hydrostatic test of hydraulic test is applied at regular intervals to boilers on British, German, Norwegian, French and Japanese ships, as well as those under the United States flag. In this country the test pressure is one and one-half times the maximum allowable working pressure of the boilers. In Great Britain the test pressure is twice the working pressure for boilers and from one and one-half to one and three-quarters times the working pressure for old boilers. In Germany and France the general rule is to make the test pressure one and one-half times the working pressure.

"One of the features of the German regulations is the requirement of a rigid physical examination of all sailors on German vessels. This rule has long been in force, and this law, however, seems to be even more severe than that required by the new Seamen's Act. Norwegian sailors are also required to pass a searching physical examination, but seemingly nothing of this sort is asked of sailors on British, French and Japanese ships.

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Americans Not Restricted

"American shipowners, with the exception of those operating ships under the ocean mail act of 1891, are not restricted in the employment of their crews by any requirement as to the nationality of seamen. British, German, and Japanese shipowners are likewise unrestricted, but British ships receiving mail or admiralty subsidies must be manned by crews of British subjects. This law, however, seems to be even more severe than that required by the new Seamen's Act. Norwegian sailors are also required to pass a searching physical examination, but seemingly nothing of this sort is asked of sailors on British, French and Japanese ships.

Members of Japanese May Be Spy For Yuan

A cablegram from a Japanese paper of San Francisco, copies of which have been received here by mail, said that Bunroku Kishihara, a member of the Kokuminto party, one of the opposition, would be arrested at the close of the session on charges of being a spy acting in Japan for Yuan Shih-kai. It is stated that he reported to Yuan as to the policy of Japan toward China when the revolution broke out in Yunnan province. It also was stated that there are many Yuan informers in Japan now.

A FORTY YEARS' TEST

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been curing coughs and colds for the past forty years and has gained in popularity every year. What better recommendation is required? For sale by all dealers. Housman, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

SERBIA'S MONARCH SURE OF VICTORY

Peter Wants To See Free and Restored Motherland Ere Death Comes

Dream Of A King

One dream King Peter says he has had all of his life.

"Ever since I was a lad," he said, "I have longed to see a free Serbia, and always there has been something that prevented, and my country has remained the tool and the chattel of some other land. Yet I believe that before I die I shall see a free Serbia, a nation cleansed of its sins, freed of its faults, a nation of ideals as high and as worth while as those of your own United States."

JAPANESE GOLD SHIPS REACH CANADIAN PORT

(Associated Press by Federal Wire.)

VICTORIA, British Columbia, February 19.—Two Japanese war ships bearing an immense quantity of gold reached here late yesterday afternoon. They are the Chitose and the Tokiwa.

That the Japanese cruisers Tokiwa and Chitose will call here on their return from Vancouver the last of March is stated by the Maui Shinhun, copies of which have been received here. The two cruisers were coming in the lee of Maui two weeks ago, being en route from Vladivostok to Vancouver via Japan, transporting roughly 100,000,000 in Russian gold.

Three non-Japanese were aboard the Tokiwa, the Shinhun stated. These are supposed to have been three Russian newspaper men, who, Oahu papers stated, were to be passengers.

DENMARK PUTS BAN ON PULP AND PAPER

(Associated Press by Federal Wire.)

WASHINGTON, February 18.—The American consul at Copenhagen has reported to the state department that the Danish government has decided to prohibit the exportation of wood pulp and heavy paper.

SECOND WIFE WINS IN WILL CONTEST

Judge Whitney Decides Against Ten Children of McCandless By Former Marriage

Mrs. Alice Matilda McCandless, widow, and her half dozen children have won out in the contest over the will left by the late William McCandless, according to a decision handed down yesterday by Judge Whitney, who ordered the will admitted to probate and appointed Mrs. McCandless as executrix of the estate and trustee for the five minors, one of her children having already reached majority. The estate, after the discharge of all debts, is worth from \$17,000 to \$20,000, according to the decision, but it is believed that its value is much greater and that it is probably worth in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

The will was contested by the ten living children of McCandless by his marriage to a Hawaiian woman, from whom he was divorced before marrying Mrs. Alice M. McCandless, the widow. The earlier children contested the will on two grounds, the testamentary incapacity of the testator at the time of making the will, and the alleged influence on the part of Mrs. Alice M. McCandless, the second wife of the deceased.

McCandless made three wills in his life time. The last, the one which was approved yesterday, being executed by him on June 26, 1914, McCandless being then seventy-seven years old.

"I am of the opinion that the attesting witnesses did have a better opportunity to judge of the testamentary capacity of the testator," says Judge Whitney in his opinion, "than did the witnesses for the contestants, and that their opinions of his capacity to make a will are entitled to greater weight than the opinions of the witnesses for the contestants."

It is ordered that the last paper writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of William McCandless, dated June 26, 1914, be admitted to probate and for the last will and testament of the said William McCandless, and under the terms thereof the court will appoint Alice Matilda McCandless executrix without bonds, directing that notice to creditors be published in The Pacific Commercial Advertiser as required by law, an inventory to be filed within thirty days from the date hereof.

The case was strenuously fought out before Judge Whitney during several weeks, the law firm of Thompson, Milverton & Caldwell representing Mrs. McCandless, the successive widow.

MYRTLES HAVE ORDERED NEW SIX-OARED BARGE

Directors of the Myrtle Boat Club at a meeting held last Wednesday night voted the purchase of a new six-oared barge which will cost in the neighborhood of \$800. To raise this money the Myrtles will hold a series of stunts which will begin on Saturday, March 18, with a dance at the Outrigger Club, Waikiki. About the first of April the club will stage three consecutive night shows at the Bijou Theater. Arrangements for the house have already been closed.

WATER FRONT NEWS

Marine Intelligence By Merchants' Exchange

San Francisco—Arrived, Feb. 13, 6 a. m., str. Matsushima, hence Feb. 6, San Francisco—Sailed, 4:30 p. m., str. Mauna for Honolulu.

San Francisco—Sailed, Feb. 15, 4:30 p. m., S. S. Mauna for Honolulu.

Hilo—Sailed, prior to Feb. 12, Sch. S. S. Mauna for Port Townsend.

Hana—Sailed, Feb. 15, Sch. Mawema for San Francisco.

Sydney—Sailed, Feb. 16, S. S. Sonoma for Honolulu at 4:00 p. m.

Tacoma—Sailed, Feb. 15, 9:20 p. m., S. S. Alaska for Honolulu.

San Francisco—Sailed, Feb. 16, 4:20 p. m., str. Northern Pacific for Honolulu via San Pedro.

Victoria—Sailed, Feb. 17, str. Makura for Honolulu.

San Francisco—Sailed, Feb. 16, Ship Marion Chilcott for Honolulu.

Hana—Arrived, Feb. 16, Sch. Annie Johnson from Mahukona.

San Francisco—Arrived, Feb. 17, str. Oloana, from Hilo Feb. 10.

Victoria—Arrived, Feb. 17, Japanese cruisers Tokiwa and Chitose, from Maui Feb. 6.

PORT OF HONOLULU.

ARRIVED

Str. Helene from Hawaii, 5:25 a. m.

Str. Mauna Kea from Hilo, 6:45 a. m.

Str. Nihoa from Kauai, 7:20 a. m.

Str. Wilhelmina from San Francisco, 11 a. m.

Str. Maui from Kauai, 5:20 a. m.

Str. Claudine from Maui, 5:30 a. m.

Sch. Ka Mo'i from Hawaii, 7:15 a. m.

DEPARTED

Str. Chiyo Maru for San Francisco, 9 a. m.

Str. Lurline for San Francisco, 4 p. m.

Str. Wailele for Hawaii, 4 p. m.

Str. Kinau for Kauai, 5:10 p. m.

Str. Mikahala for Maui and Molokai, 5:15 p. m.

Str. Shoshone for Hawaii, 5:25 p. m.

Str. Mauna Kea for Hilo, 10 a. m.

Rk. Gleneshee for Makatea, 10:30 a. m.

Sp. Falls of Clyde for Gaviota, 4:15 p. m.

U. S. A. T. Thomas for Manila, 12 noon.

Honolulu Stock Exchange

Thursday, February 17, 1916.

Name of Stock.	Last Sale.	High.	Low.	Amount.
Mercantile.				
Alexander & Baldwin	240			
C. Brewer & Co.	232			

Name of Stock.	Last Sale.	High.	Low.	Amount.
Sugar.				
Ewa Plantation Co.	32 1/2	32	32 1/2	
Hawaiian Sugar Co.	201	225		
Hawa. Ag. Co.	200			
Hawa. Sug. Co.	47	47	47 1/4	
Hawa. Sug. Co.	39 1/2			
Honokaa Sugar Co.	8 1/2			
Honolulu Sugar Co.	181			
Hutchinson Sugar Co.	24	27		
Kahuku Plant Co.	20			
Kekaha Sugar Co.	172 1/2	180		
Koloa Sugar Co.	175	174		
McBryde Sugar Co.	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	
Oahu Sugar Co.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34	
Olan Sugar Co.	34 1/2	33 1/2	34	
Onomua Sugar Co.	52 1/2	53 1/2	54	
Panohau Sugar Co.	24			
Pacific Sugar Mill	70	80		
Pain Plant Co.	201	225		
Peepee Sugar Co.	150			
Pioneer Mill Co.	42 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	
San Carlos Mill Co.	8 1/2			
Waiulua Agr. Co.	33 1/2	35	33 1/2	
Wailuku Sugar Co.	160			

Name of Stock.	Last Sale.	High.	Low.	Amount.
Miscellaneous.				
Haiha F. & P. Co. pfd.	19 1/2			
Hawa. Electric Co.	167 1/2			
Hawaiian Pine Co.	35 1/4		35 1/4	
Hilo R.R. Co. pfd.	22 1/2			
Hilo R.R. Co. com.	40		40	
Hon. Brew & Malt	18			
Hon. Gas Co.	140 1/2			
H. R. T. & L. Co.	140 1/2			
I. I. S. Nav. Co.	210	250		
Mutual Tel. Co.	20			
O. R. & L. Co.	150	150	151 1/2	
Pahang Rubber Co.	17 1/2	17 1/2	18	
Tanjong Pagar Rub. Co.	30	34	34 1/2	

Name of Stock.	Last Sale.	High.	Low.	Amount.
Bonds.				
Hymahua Ditch Co.	103			
Haw. Irr. Co. 6s.	91			
Haw. Ter. Im. 4s.	93			
Hilo R.R. 4s.—1901.	60			
Hilo R.R. Ref. & E. 6s.	50	52	55	
Honokaa Sug. Co. 6s.	90			